



Millicent J. "Penny" Carducci

October 28, 1929 - December 20, 2022

Millicent Jeanne Worth Carducci, known to most as Penny, passed away on December 20, 2022, at the age of 93.

Penny was born on October 28, 1929, to Mildred Thomas and Harry Worth in Detroit, Michigan. She graduated from Redford High School in 1947 and went on to study Library Science at Albion College. In keeping with a Delta Gamma sorority tradition, she asked out a football player, who later became her husband, Alexander Carducci. They married in 1951 in Detroit. As they started a family, Alexander went to medical school and was drafted in the US Navy. They traveled across the country and, finally, settled in Orlando, Florida in 1959.

As Alexander opened a medical practice, Penny built themselves a home. Over the years, she built a home in five different houses, each bigger than the last to accommodate their growing family. As a homemaker, she was active in the community and in her children's education. She was President of the School Board at Bishop Moore Catholic High School. As a devout Catholic, she was an Eucharistic minister and an active parishioner at St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church.

Later in life, she enjoyed her summers in Highlands, North Carolina, and winters in Orlando. She loved spending time with her children, grandchildren,

and great grandchildren, chatting about the events of the day. She had her favorite foods: her mini Dove chocolates (her daily allotment of 7-8 candies), eggrolls, pepperoni pizza, and Victor's, her youngest son, cooking. She was an avid reader and read almost every murder mystery. She read so many, she refused to read paperback, since she knew she already read it. She read the newspaper front to back and even liked to read the obituaries. She enjoyed reading about people's families and their stories.

She loved her large, loud, Italian/British family and enjoyed the holidays the most. She was the first to call her children and grandchildren on their birthdays—at the crack of dawn. It was a rite of passage for every grandchild to make Rice Krispie squares with her. Penny affectionately called her family and all her loved ones "Babe." She became a mother to many she metaphorically adopted, who affectionately called her Mrs. C.

She is survived by her five children (Christopher J. Carducci and his wife LuAnn, Dr. Theresa J. Carducci and her husband Walter Raleigh Whitehurst, Mary A.C. Hefka and her husband Bruce Hefka, Dr. Michael A. Carducci and his wife Mary Katherine, and Victor G. Carducci); eleven grandchildren (Cristina, Charles, Alexander, Angela, Taylor, Patricia Jeanne, Austin, Claire, Amber, Jonathan, and Emmanuel); and two great-grandchildren (Suzanne and John). She is preceded in death by her husband, Dr. Alexander Carducci, and two of her children, Alexander Thomas Jr., and Robert Philip.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to Canine Companions for Independence (CCI) at Canine.org or Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida at feedhopenow.org.

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

DEC 27. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church
4001 Edgewater Dr
Orlando, FL 32804

Burial

DEC 27 (ET)

Greenwood Cemetery
1603 Greenwood Street
Orlando, FL 32801

To follow funeral mass...

Tribute Wall

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“ Knew Penny and her family for 36 years ...A beautiful woman inside and out ... my Mom & Dad loved her and after my Mom died , Dad and Penny kept up their friendship. I loved her like a Mother. This is a picture if Penny attending my Dad’s 90 surprise party in St Pete.



Pat Canning - December 25, 2022 at 03:14 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Millicent J. "Penny" Carducci.



December 23, 2022 at 11:00 AM

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“ My husband did his training at ORMC under Dr Carducci and always spoke very highly of him and told me stories about his ability and fun personality. Dr Carducci had a wonderful family whom he loved, even though I never met Penny I know she was the center of a beautiful loving large family. May she be blessed and may her family have peace knowing she is with Our Lord. Carmen Boudet Gomez (Mrs Juan L Gomez)

Carmen Boudet Gomez - December 23, 2022 at 08:53 AM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Millicent J. "Penny" Carducci.*



December 22, 2022 at 06:27 PM



“ *Please accept my condolences on your loss*
Karen Falagan

Karen Falagan - December 22, 2022 at 01:59 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Millicent J. "Penny" Carducci.*



December 21, 2022 at 03:30 PM



“ *Your JHU family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Millicent J. "Penny" Carducci.*



Your JHU family - December 21, 2022 at 03:01 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Millicent J. "Penny" Carducci.



December 21, 2022 at 10:18 AM